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SUBJECT: Morrow County, Strategic Conservation Local Work Group/Community Meeting

FROM: Kacee Lathrop, NRCS Morrow County District Conservationist

WHEN: February 1, 2018, 1:00 pm

WHERE: USDA Service Center Conference Room, 430 Linden Way, Heppner, Oregon

As a leader in Morrow County, you recognize both the challenges and the opportunities we have to solve natural resource problems together. The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will be hosting a meeting to gather your input, along with other members of the community regarding the natural resource opportunities and priorities across the county.

Our goal is to bring together individuals with a variety of expertise and knowledge allowing NRCS and others to build on our collective successes while focusing our efforts to make the greatest impact with our available staff and funding. We need your help to:

- ✓ identify where the best investments can be made to address natural resource problems,
- ✓ share the work that has already been done in the county, and
- ✓ share your vision for what the county will look like when these natural resource concerns have been solved.

NRCS will be considering the information you provide to include in future conservation implementation strategies for our county. This will help guide our conservation efforts and funding over the next five to ten years. Your input in this process is very valuable as we will be using this information to focus our work in the future.

The information you can provide in this process will help all of us work towards a stronger, healthier more economically viable community and agricultural industry.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, but would like additional information or would like to provide your input, please contact NRCS at 541-676-5021 x113, or e-mail kacee.lathrop@or.usda.gov. The meeting is open to the public, so please feel free to share this information with others who may be interested in participating.

A request for accommodation for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting.

Thank you in advance for your time and participation in this very important process.

Sincerely,

Kacee Lathrop
USDA NRCS, District Conservationist